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Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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RE: Lockhart Power Company Request for Approval of Proposed Experimental Tariff
ED-1 (Economic Development) and Revised Schedule O (Power Adjustment
Clause)
Docket No. 2018-292-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed and discussed with Lockhart Power Company ("LPC" or "Company") personnel the Company's request for approval of Proposed Experimental Tariff ED-1 (Economic Development) and Revised Schedule O (Power Adjustment Clause).

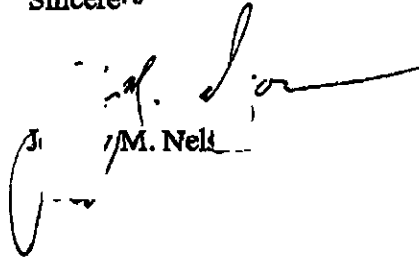
The Company states that the areas LPC serves are primarily rural and have had negative population growth for much of the last decade, so the most meaningful path to load growth is by attracting new industrial customers. The Company believes that the Proposed Experimental Tariff will allow LPC to attract and serve large industrial electric loads in specific areas of its service territory without increasing costs for existing customers.

Based on our review of the information provided, ORS does not object to the Company's request. ORS's position is predicated on the basis that the customers on the Proposed Experimental Tariff pay all of the costs associated with providing services to the facility plus a contribution margin to benefit the entire system. In addition, ORS requests the Company maintain its books and records so that any increase in operating expenses and revenues due to customers participating in the Proposed Experimental Tariff can be easily identified in subsequent rate proceedings.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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All Parties of Record